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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PLOT TO POISON LLOYD GEORGE.

SUFFRAGETTES AND A CON-
SCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR
CHARGED.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

The Daily Mail says three suffragettes
and conscientious objectors have been
arrested at Derby and Southampton on a
sensational charge of political conspiracy.
The Daily Sketch gives the names of
the persons arrested and says they were
formally charged at Derby with con-
spiracy to murder Mr. Lloyd George. The
paper adds that it is understood that
the prisoners are accused of conspiring
to poison Mr. Lloyd George.

LATER.
Alice Wheeldon, Harriet Ann Wheel-
don, Winnie Mason, and Alfred George
Mason have been charged at Derby
with conspiring to murder Mr. Lloyd
George (Premier), and Mr. Arthur
Henderson, M. P. (Member of the
Cabinet).

Only evidence of arrest was given
and the accused were remanded.
No details are published.

LATER.
Alice Wheeldon is the mother of
Harriet Wheeldon and Winnie Mason,
who is the wife of Alfred Mason. The
latter is a Chemist. Harriet and Winnie
are school teachers. Alice Wheeldon in
Court declared that it was a trumped-up
charge "because my lad is a
conscientious objector".
The Wheelons are well-known
Derby suffragettes. It is stated that
others may be involved, but there are
still no details of the charge available.

THE FIGHTING ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

A Russian official report states:
After a bombardment with chemical
shells, the enemy, strongly attacked
along the Kalenc-Chlok high road
and also northeast of Kalenc, pressing
us back two-thirds of a mile, and
occupied a small sector of our trenches
east of Kalenc.

FIGHTING IN SNOW WAIST HIGH.
We advanced in snow waist high and
captured at the bayonet point the
heights east of Jacobeni, taking pri-
soners and booty.

GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report says:
We stormed a forest position on the
east bank of the An, repulsed
strong counter-attacks and took over
900 prisoners.
After strong attacks southward of
Valeputna, two of which failed, the
Russians penetrated a point d'appui.
The Ottomans drove back strong
reconnoitres in the neighbourhood of
the Danube.

SHIPS SUNK.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

The following steamers have been
sunk:-
Jervington (British), Thersund,
Donstad and Fulton (Norwegian)
and Egret (Russian).

BRITISH LADS OF '18 CALLED UP.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

The youths of 18 years of age are
being called up.

THE MESOPOTAMIA COMMISSION.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

The Mesopotamia Commission has
examined the Earl of Crewe, Sec-
retary of State for India.

FURTHER UNSPEAKABLE CRIMES CONTEMPLATED.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT
THREATENS IMMEDIATE
REPRISALS.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

The Foreign Office announces that
the German Government claim to
have conclusive proof that enemy
hospital ships have been misused for
the transport of munitions and
troops. They also claim to have
submitted proofs to the French and
British Governments, at the same
time declaring that the traffic of
hospital ships within a line from
Flamborough Head and Terschelling
and Ushant and Land's End will no
longer be tolerated.

His Majesty's Government has
received no communication on the
subject. The Foreign Office adds
that Germany has the right to search
hospital ships, which it has never
used.

As it is the evident intention to
add other unspeakable crimes to an
already long list "disgracing her
record, His Majesty's Government
has decided that if the threat is
carried out reprisals will immediately
be taken.

GERMAN "FRIGHTFULNESS." INCREASED ARMAMENT FOR MERCHANT SHIPS.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

Telegrams from America report new
threats of German "frightfulness" in
retaliation for the alleged new British
minefield in the North Sea.

The increased armament of merchant-
men is causing apprehension among the
authorities. It is forecasted that the
State Department will take the position
that merchantmen belonging to the
belligerent Powers are entitled to carry
heavier armament than heretofore and
mount guns fore and aft without losing
their customary rights.

GREAT NAVAL BATTLE EXPECTED.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.

The New York World's correspondent
in Berlin states that a great naval
battle is expected shortly.

NORWAY AND SUBMARINES.

CHRISTIANIA, Jan. 31.

The King has signed a decree pro-
hibiting belligerent war submarines
entering Norwegian waters, excepting
to storm, damage, or in order to save
life, when they must be unarmoured
and show their nationality, also signal
the reason of their presence. They
must leave as soon as the reasons for
their entry are no longer valid.
Unbelligerent war submarines are also
prohibited, except in daylight and un-
submerged, showing their nationality.
Submarines contravening these orders
will be liable to attack by Norwegian
warships.

THE "STRICTER BLOCKADE"

A DUTCH VIEW.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 31.

Referring to the German news-
paper report that Great Britain is
beginning a stricter blockade of the
German North Sea coast, the Tele-
graaf says: "If this should lessen
the submarine danger the advantage
to Dutch shipping would outweigh
the extra burden imposed."

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Occasional Tables, etc., etc., Dinner
Services, Crockery, Glass Ware, Cooking
Stoves, Cutlery, Toilet Set, etc., Bath
Room Utensils, Large Roll-top Desk
and Writing Tables, etc., Sundry Electro
Plated Ware.

Plans by Challen & Sons, London, in
good condition, Electric Reading Lamps
and Stove (New), Blackwood and Teak-
wood Screens, a quantity of Blackwood
Furniture, Pictures, Engravings, Carpets
and Rugs, Clocks, etc.

Tennis Poles and Netting, etc., etc.
Brass Finger Bowls, and a few lots
Table Linen, etc.
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Hongkong, Jan. 31, 1917. 1457

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Sofas, Arm-chairs, etc., Wardrobes and
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mounted Bedsteads, Cots, etc., Miscel-
laneous Furniture, Blackwood Ware,
including: Cabinets, Wardrobes, etc.,
Brass Utensils and Fire Brackets, a few
lots Pottery, etc., Pantry, Bath Room
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Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1917. 1456

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BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak in the

course of a short speech at the annual

meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent

Society said that for many years past he

had watched the work of this Society

with increasing interest and evergrowing

admiration. The self-sacrificing work

which was done by the ladies of the

Society, which, for obvious reasons, could

not be fully explained, deserved not only

the admiration, but the practical grati-

tude, of every man and woman in the

Colony. As it was impossible, in the

report, to detail all the cases dealt with

the public were not able fully to appre-

ciate the real extent and value of the

work carried on, but those who were

privileged to see behind the scenes knew

that a great and good work was being

done. When it was realised that at the

present time no fewer than 25 destitute

children were being provided with food

and clothing and a home, in addition to

the other beneficent activities in which

the Society engaged, they would agree

with him that the Society was doing a

work of which any society in any part

of the world might justly feel proud. He

had been asked to appeal for increased

donations and subscriptions. He did so

with great pleasure, and under a sense

that it was an appeal which deserved a

ready and generous response. In these

days of constant calls for War Charities

and the like a steady charitable Society

of this nature was liable to suffer. He

was perfectly certain, however, that the

public of Hongkong only required to be

made aware of the splendid work that

was being done and they would not only

maintain but increase their annual sub-

scriptions. Most business men in the

Colony had experienced the problem of

how to deal with the destitute who found

their way into their offices, and here was

a Society prepared to receive and consider

such cases. He thought the business men

of the Colony did not take as much ad-

vantage of this privilege as they ought

to take. Proceeding, he called attention

to the evil of marriage between Chinese

and white women, which was emphasised

by the fact that three of the cases in the

report arose out of unhappy unions of

this description. He could not help

thinking that this subject was one of

national importance, and that at least

local pressure ought to be brought to

bear to make it illegal for any Chinese

to be married to a white woman, whether

of British or other nationality. He had

no doubt-it was, indeed, a well-known

fact-that in European countries Chinese

made good husbands, but it was on return

to their own country that the tragedy of

the marriage began. It was a subject that

called for legislation, and if the time were

ripe for this, he would advocate that

as every large seaport, such as London,

Liverpool, Swansea, Cardiff, Melbourne,

Montreal, Vancouver, and our own port,

the evils of marriage between a white

girl and an Asiatic should be set forth

in unmistakable terms, and warning given

of what the results of such a marriage

must ultimately be. No one appreciated

the Chinese as a race more than he, but

"East is East, and West is West."

And never the brain shall meet.

and never, from their point of view, as

well as from that of the white woman,

could any such marriage be expected to

be successful or satisfactory in the long

run.

Mr. A. H. Harris drew attention to

the fact that the substantial balance was

due to the handsome subscription of the

Hongkong Jockey Club, and, seeing that

the Society had 25 orphans to keep and

the expenses of each were about \$100 a

year, it was extremely necessary that

they should have added support.

THE JAPANESE CABINET.

BARON MOTONO'S STATEMENT OF

POLICY.

The following account of the recent

statement of Japan's foreign policy

supplements the Reuters' brief tele-

graphic summary published last week.

Tokyo, January 24.

The Diet reassembled yesterday morn-

ing. Count Terauchi and Baron Motono

addressed it. The Premier, Count

Terauchi, briefly outlined his policy as

being one of the closest concert with

"our fellow participants in the war" and

the friendship relations with neutrals,

especially China, with whom "he would

spare no effort to cultivate relations of

mutual confidence and assistance."

The Upper House unanimously passed

a resolution of sympathy with their

Allies.

Count Okuma is the present centre

of confidence in the Government want

statement of Japan's foreign policy

introduced. It comes up on the 25th.

Count Terauchi, the Premier, advocat-

ed the maintenance of armaments

adequate for defence consonant with the

international responsibilities of Japan.

He said that Japan is facing a transien-

t economic war and urged the most

rigorous economy and reforms and attention

to industrial developments.

Baron Motono, Minister of Foreign

Affairs, reviewed at length the conflict

in Europe, upon which, he said, hung

the decision whether the smaller States

should be subject to the domination of

foreign powers, or the destiny of civiliza-

tion. Japan joined this war not only in

defence of her particular interests but

also in defence of the interests of her

allies, which are equally the interests

of humanity.

It is necessary, he said, that justice

shall triumph. The resolution of this

struggle, it is necessary that the world

shall live and breathe in peace hereafter.

In order to secure such an end it is

necessary, above everything, that victory

shall be complete, which can only be

secured by the self-sacrificing and united

effort of all the Governments and all the

Nations. Consequently Japan will col-

laborate until final victory for the Allies

is secured. Such co-operation will not

be confined to military and naval forces

but extends to the economic forces.

Hence the concurrence of Japan in the

decisions arrived at the Paris Con-

ference.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs re-

viewed the reply of the Allies to

Germany's peace proposals and expressed

the fullest agreement of the Japanese

Government with it. He said that some

criticism has been directed against the

criticism because the Allies reply did

not specifically include Japan's share

but he pointed out that the Allies' Note

gave no details. "In order to avoid mis-

understanding on this point the Govern-

ment has taken steps to set out clearly

the rights of Japan and I am happy to be

able to assure you that a very satisfac-

tory understanding on this point exists

between the Allies."

Baron Motono paid a tribute to the

armies and navies of the Allies. He

said that the Alliance of Great Britain

would always be the foundation of their

foreign policy. It had been mutually

beneficial, especially since the outbreak

of the war.

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA AND CHINA.

Baron Motono then proceeded, some-

what lengthily, to review the Entente

with Russia. He asserted that the

sentiments of the Russians towards the

Japanese were very sincere. "Having

personally assisted throughout the

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Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1917. 1460

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(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONVEYANCE),

SATURDAY,

the 3rd February, 1917, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 1, Des Voeux Road, Corner of THE HOUSE STREET.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Removal to Sale Rooms for Convenience of Sale.

Zinc-lined Box Couch by Powell, Teakwood Bedsteads, Large and Small Wardrobes, Dining Table, Chairs, &c. (PRACTICALLY NEW), Electric Reading Lamp, Bathroom Utensils, &c. &c.

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Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1917. 1461

THE DIARY

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Feb. 3:—

11 a.m.—Auction of Motor Cycle at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

11.30 a.m.—Union Waterboat Co's Meeting.

2.15 p.m.—Cricket on H.K.C.C. ground: Club v. University.

MONDAY, Feb. 5:—

9.15 p.m.—Piano Recital at Government House.

TUESDAY, Feb. 6:—

2 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sale Rooms.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 7:—

11.28 a.m.—Full Moon.

FRIDAY, Feb. 9:—

1.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, Feb. 10:—

11 a.m.—Kowloon Land and Building Co's Meeting.

Noon.—Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co's Meeting.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14:—

9.15 p.m.—Concert at Helena May Institute.

MON. 28, TUES. 27 & WED. 28:—

Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.

THE

CHINA MAIL

Can be obtained at the following places in Hongkong:—

The Hongkong Hotel

The Hongkong Ferry Wharf.

The Kowloon Ferry Wharf.

The Upper Peak Tram Station.

The Lower Peak Tram Station.

Wing Cheong (D'Aguiar Street).

Hong Cheong (Kowloon.)

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The annual meeting of shareholders of Union Church was held last night, Mr. J. L. Macpherson presiding over a good attendance. Mr. E. B. Cubey was reappointed hon. secretary, and Mr. A. S. D. Cousland, hon. treasurer. The following constitute the committee of management:—Messrs. Macdonald, MacKenzie, Wattie, Dovey, Law, Walker, Ritchie, Gray, Templeton, R. M. Gibson, Mitchell, Hickling and Stevenson. A Ladies Committee of fifteen members was also elected.

The proceeds of Mr. Denman Fuller's final lecture on Musical Appreciation at which there was again a large attendance amounted to over \$90, a sum considerably in excess of previous amounts. The total proceeds, amounting to \$288 01, have been handed to the Fund for Blind Soldiers, and Sailors. Mr. Denman Fuller wishes to express his sincere thanks to the President and Committee of the Helena May Institute for allowing the lectures to be given there, to the Anderson Music Company for lending their Broadwood Grand Piano, and to the public for their kind support.

THE LATE MR. OTTO KONG SING.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral of Mr. Otto Kong Sing at Happy Valley yesterday was attended among others by the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies), the Puisne Judge, (Mr. H. H. J. Compertz), the Attorney General (Mr. J. H. Kemp), Messrs. Eldon Potter, F. C. Jenkin, F. B. L. Bowley, E. Davidson, Bulmer, Johnson, F. X. D'Almada, H. L. Denys, N. G. Nolan, A. G. Saffad, J. M. de Silva, and many fellow members of various clubs.

The Service was conducted by the Rev. N. C. Pope, of St. Andrew's, Kowloon. The floral tributes included wreaths from the Chief Justice, the Puisne Judge, the Attorney General, the Registrar, Messrs. Eldon Potter, F. C. Jenkin, Johnston, Stokes and Master, Deacon, Locker, Descon and Harston, Denys and Bowley, G. K. Hall Brutton, W. B. Hind, Mr. J. H. Gardiner, A. H. Crew, P. W. Goldring, F. X. D'Almada and Mason, Holmes and Haywood, D. W. Tatman, the V.R.C. the Phoenix Club, the Office Staff, the Kowloon Cricket Club, K. H. Woo, Mr. and Mrs. Leo D'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. Yeung Hee, the officers and brethren of Zetland Lodge, No. 625 F. E. M. and Mrs. A. J. Mackie, the Interpreters and Translators, of the Supreme Court, A. G. Saffad and J. M. de Silva, and Lane, Crawford & Co's. Mass.

TRIBUTE FROM THE BENCH.

At the Magistracy this morning Mr. J. R. Wood, Senior Magistrate, referred to the sudden death of the late Mr. Otto Kong Sing. Addressing Mr. Jenkin, who had been instructed by the deceased gentleman in a case which was to be heard this morning, His Worship said: "Before calling your case, Mr. Jenkin, I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my very deep regret at the death of the late Mr. Otto Kong Sing, who has been instructing you in this case, and I feel sure that this expression of regret will be shared by very many who have been connected in any way with the business of this Court. Mr. Kong Sing practiced in this Colony for 15 years. I met him first in connection with the land settlement of the New Territory and in late years he has frequently appeared here. Throughout his career he has maintained a reputation for practicality, and thorough straightforwardness. He brought to every case knowledge of the points and a close appreciation of the exact point or points at issue. He conducted his case without loss of time and without any attempt of display. Whether prosecuting or defending, he came here with the main object to see that justice was done. I am speaking for many others when I say that his personality will be greatly missed in this Court."

Mr. Jenkin, in reply to Mr. Wood, said: "As a member of the late Mr. Otto Kong Sing's profession, and having been associated with him in his active work, I thank your Worship for what you have said with regard to the deceased gentleman whom we shall all miss greatly. That Mr. Otto Kong Sing was a straight, clear fighter is a fact thing to be able to say of any man who has assisted in administering justice. Mr. Kong Sing in relationship to his profession, and to the members of the Bar, has observed strictly every tradition between solicitor and solicitor, and solicitor and counsel, and by his death we have lost one of the best types of a solicitor in the Colony, who tried to uphold these traditions. I thank your Worship."

THE MAGISTRACY.

JUDGMENT IN BRIBERY CASE.

In the case in which a Chinese revenue officer was charged with accepting a bribe, Mr. J. R. Wood gave judgment as follows: "In this case I find the following facts: On the 17th January at about 10 a.m. the defendant, R.O. 34, a public servant, was on duty on the s.s. 'Hiladei' Maru at the Kowloon wharves. In the course of his duty he searched a quantity of luggage belonging to passengers who had arrived on the ship from Singapore, and this luggage was at the time in the charge of Sham King Tsz, runner of the Cheung Ki Bounding House. The baggage contained nothing excisable. During the search, about ten minutes before the search would in the normal course be completed, the boarding house runner handed to the defendant and the defendant received three one dollar (Singapore) notes. The object of the gift was to induce the defendant to complete his search in a less thorough manner than that adopted by him up to that point, and so avoid delay. Immediately the notes were received, and while the defendant was attempting to put them into his pocket, the defendant was seized by an Indian Sergeant of Police and was arrested. The defendant is charged with accepting the sum of three dollars as a bribe given with a view to induce his conduct as a public servant. Mr. Grist, on the defendant's behalf, has argued that as Sham King Tsz, the boarding house runner, has been shown in this instance to have had no intention of contravening any regulation of this port, his gift to the defendant was in the nature of an 'innocent gratuity' and its acceptance does not bring the defendant under the penalties of the Ordinance, which creates corruptly accepting a 'bribe'. The motive of the gift is in this case clear. It was intended to induce the defendant to scamp his search of a portion of certain luggage. The acceptance by a public servant of a gift made with such an object is an offence contemplated by the Ordinance, and is the offence here charged. If further evidence were needed to show the corrupt motive with which the money was received by the defendant, it might be found in the defendant's persistent denial (which I have found to be false) that the money was ever handed to him."

A fine of \$50 was imposed.

BAD RECORD OF A YOUTHFUL OFFENDER.

A Chinese boy, age 16 years, pleaded guilty to the theft of a pair of shoes from a shop in Yaumati. It was stated that this was the boy's third appearance before the Magistrate. Defendant was sentenced to ten strokes of the birch and seven days detention in Victoria Gaol.

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING OF CHILD.

A Chinese charged with taking a girl, age 10 years, out of the custody of her guardian at Un Chan Tai, was brought before Mr. Wood.

As the Police are endeavouring to find the missing child the defendant was remanded for one week.

RESONANCE

THE WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Dear Sir,—There appears to be some doubt amongst a few intending subscribers to the Hongkong and South China War Savings Association as to the currency in which the funds will eventually be returned to the subscribers.

All moneys will be invested in Sterling or Straits Currency at the rate of exchange ruling at the time of investment and all moneys so invested, together with all accrued interest, will be repaid to the respective investors either in Sterling or Straits currency, or, if desired by the proprietor, re-converted into Hongkong Dollars at the rate of exchange ruling at the time of repayment.

Yours faithfully,
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LD.
Secretaries H.K. & South China War Savings Association.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Wah Ti Yai Po's Service.)

THE GOVERNMENT AND SHANGHAI OPIUM STOCKS.

NO MONEY FOR THE PURCHASE.

PEKING, Jan. 31.—The Cabinet after further discussion, has found it impossible, owing to lack of funds, to carry out the proposal to buy the Shanghai opium stock for the purpose of burning it.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PEKING, Jan. 31.—Chang Chung Lun, the Chinese Minister to Tokyo, has returned unexpectedly to Peking. It is believed that he has come to make a special report on the diplomatic position.

THE LATE PRINCE CHING.

PEKING, Jan. 31.—Prince Ching died at Tientsin. An important personage has asked the Government to grant the Prince posthumous honours, on account of his having advised the Ching dynasty to abdicate.

A Presidential Mandate makes a grant of \$10,000 as funeral expenses, and orders Yam Chang to offer sacrifices and to record the merits of the Prince in connection with the transfer of authority from the Imperial family to the Republic.

SUN YAT SEN AND REVOLUTION FUNDS.

A LIBEL ACTION THREATENED.

PEKING, Jan. 31.—Sun Yat Sen has wired to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Soerabaya stating that what he received from the merchants there was the equivalent of 18,940 only and not 22 lakhs, as the Chamber had alleged. He therefore demands a satisfactory explanation from the Chamber of their recent telegram to Peking; otherwise he will sue them for libel.

He also states that he actually borrowed from Japanese merchants one million Yen and \$1,744,000 from Oversea Chinese for the purpose of defeating the monarchical movement.

A SPECIAL ENVOY TO JAPAN.

PEKING, Jan. 31.—The Japanese Government having intimated its unwillingness to receive Hung Hi Ling as a Special Envoy the Government has decided to send Wong Tai Shih to convey the decoration which the President has conferred on the Emperor of Japan. This appointment meets Japan's approval.

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1916 states: The Net Profit for that period, including \$7,730.87 brought forward from last account, amounts to \$86,675.28. From which have to be deducted:

Remuneration to Directors for Net Profit.....\$3,947.22

Remuneration to General Managers 5% on Net Profit.....3,947.22

Leaving a balance of \$78,780.84

Which the Directors recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

Pay a dividend of 50 cents per share.....\$73,000.00

Carry forward to new Profit and Loss Account 3,780.84

\$78,780.84

DIRECTORS.

During the year Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar resigned on leaving the Colony and his place was filled by Mr. A. O. Lang. The Directors now are Messrs. J. Scott, Harston, W. L. Patten, A. O. Lang and Dr. J. W. Noble who in accordance with Rule No. 76 of the Company's Articles of Association retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., and C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LIMITED.

The Profit for the Half Year 1st June to 31st December 1916 including the sum of \$54,777.05 brought forward from the previous half-year, amounted to \$123,493.32, which the Board recommend should be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of \$3.00 per share of 20,000 shares.....60,000.00

To transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account.....20,000.00

To write off Steam Launch.....1,000.00

To carry forward to new account.....42,493.32

\$123,493.32

THE RACES.

LIST OF ENTRIES.

The entries for the next Jockey Club Race Meeting are entirely satisfactory in regard to numbers. Thirty ponies are entered for the Hongkong Derby Stakes, as against 23 last year and 17 the year before. The numbers for each race are:—

FIRST DAY.

The Weng-nai-chong Stakes.....30
The Maiden Stakes.....20
The Victoria Stakes.....20
The Valley Stakes.....30
The Poochow Cup.....20
The Trial Plate.....20
The Garrison Cup.....21
The Professional Cup.....30
The Jockey Club Stakes.....21
The Racing Stakes.....47

SECOND DAY.

The Jockey Cup.....39
The Exchange Plate.....21
The Hongkong Derby.....30
The Subscription Griffin Challenge Cup.....34
The China Stakes.....20
The Lusitano Cup.....13
The Challenge Cup.....43
The Royal Navy Stakes.....43
The Black Rock Stakes.....29
The Gymkhana Club Cup.....47

THIRD DAY.

The Grand Stand Stakes.....30
The Great Southern Stakes.....34
The Hongkong Stakes.....35
The Ladies' Purse.....28
The America Cup.....32
The Phoenix Stakes.....35
The Rhode Stakes.....40
The Champion Stakes.....41
The Consolation Stakes.....41
The Nil Desperandum Stakes.....47

OFF DAY.

The Tytan Handicap.....43
The Hongkong Handicap.....47

THE DERBY ENTRIES.

The following are the entries for the Derby:—

Messrs. Bath & Ross' Vid.....10.12
Mr. Dynasty's King Ben.....10.9
Mr. Ezra's Victory.....11.1
Mr. Ezra's Iron Duke.....11.7
Mr. Ezra's Warrior.....11.4
Mr. Henry Humphrey's Town Mouse.....10.9
Mr. Henry Humphrey's Brown Mouse.....11.4
Mr. Henry Humphrey's Titmouse.....10.9
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Formosa Chief.....11.1
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Essex Chief.....10.12
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Russian Chief.....10.9
Messrs. Logan and Basto's Glorious Pearl.....10.9
Messrs. Logan and Basto's Lusitania Pearl.....10.12
Messrs. Logan and Basto's Bright Pearl.....10.9
Mr. Mace's Black Prince.....11.4
Mr. Mace's Banjo.....11.1
Sir Paul's Victory Dahlia.....11.1
Sir Paul's Onward Dahlia.....11.1
Sir Paul's Choice Dahlia.....10.12
Mr. John Peel's Silver Streak.....10.9
Mr. John Peel's Star of Doon.....10.9
Mr. John Peel's Jacobite.....11.1
Mr. Scores' Herolind.....10.12
Mr. Scores' Warriorlin.....10.12
Mr. Scores' Aeriallin.....10.12
Mr. Scores' Sincia.....11.4
Mr. H. P. White's Hajj.....10.12
Mr. H. P. White's Masar.....11.1
Messrs. H. P. White and N. J. Stabb's Caplane.....11.1
Messrs. H. P. White and N. J. Stabb's Foxtrot.....10.12

SPORTING.

GOLF.

AMERICAN CUP.

The following are the results obtained in this competition against Bogey played at Faaling during the Chinese New Year holidays:

S. H. Dodwell.....4 up
A. Leach.....1 up
R. M. Macdougall.....1 up
B. M. Austin.....1 up
R. Hancock.....All square
S. Powell....." "
D. C. Wolfe....." "
D. G. Chesser....." "
C. A. Peel....." "
A. E. Carleton....." "
Rev. G. M. Tichborne.....1 down
R. E. Lindell....." "
A. C. Leith....." "
Captain Milner-Jones....." "
H. P. Winslow....." "
M. A. Murray.....2 down
Eldon Potter....." "
H. Hancock....." "
H. West.....3 down
G. S. Archbutt....." "
E. Berington....." "
R. M. Cunningham.....4 down
A. S. MacKichan....." "
The Entrance Fees realised \$260.00 which will be given to a War Charity.

CAPTAIN'S CUP.

The following are the results for January in the Captain's Cup competition.

A. Ritchie, Qualifier for Cup.....85-2-63
R. Hancock.....91-7-64
Dr. Lindsay Woods.....87-2-65
H. C. Sandford.....93-8-91
H. P. Winslow.....100-12-68

TICKLING IN THE THROAT.

IVEN the slightest tickling or hoarseness in the throat may be the forerunner of a dangerous illness. Stop it at once with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

CHINESE GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak has been re-elected Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce by 63 out of a total of 87 votes.

Mr. Chan Kai-ming was elected Vice-Chairman in succession to Mr. Ho Fook who did not seek re-election.

Mr. Li Po-kwai and Mr. Li Yan-chen were elected Treasurers, and the following gentlemen were appointed on the Executive Committee:—Messrs. Chan Kang-yue, Ho Fook, Ng Hon-tze, Sin Tak-fan, Un Ying-shan, Fung Ping-shan, Ho Kom-tong, Lo Cheung-shiu, Chau Siu-ki, Chan Yue-ting, Ma Ying-piu, Ho Wing, Chan Pik-chuan, Yung Tze-ming and Tong Yat-chen.

WAR CHARITIES.

The following further letter has been received in acknowledgment of gifts from Hongkong:—

94, Marlborough Mansions,
West Hampstead,
N.W.

28th December, 1916.

"Dear Lady Mar,—I have just posted a letter to you thanking for the two cases of clothes and bandages which have been sent by the members of 'Our Little Bit Society,' and I have now further to thank for the very valuable donation of 200 dollars (£22 10s. 11d.) which the members of the Ministering Children's League have so kindly sent to the Japanese Society for the benefit of soldiers' children."

The gift is a very welcome one, for though good allowances are being made to soldiers' wives which in ordinary times would have kept them well, the case now is very different as the price of food and clothing has risen so highly. I will take pains to spend the money in getting warm clothes, boots and blankets for those who really need them. The mothers of course spend what they have first on food, and children run about in half worn boots till they get cold and bad chilblains in the very cold and wet winter we are having. I only received the draft today so can only send warm thanks for it, and hope in the December report to be able to say how some of it has been spent.

Your sincere and grateful,
HONGKAI K. EDEN.

THE GREAT COLD IN MANCHURIA.

Some idea of the severity of the weather in Manchuria this month may be gathered from the following information which we extract from copies of the "Manchurian Daily News," a Japanese paper at Dairen:—

Seven hundred goods cars on the South Manchurian Railway were disabled by the weather. A high official of the Railway Administration reported as saying that the forced withdrawal of hundreds of goods cars on the S.M.R. lines all at once as an effect of the intense cold was a thing new in the history of the S.M.R. Co. During the extremely cold spell, every locomotive was hung thick with icicles. That only a few drivers and stokers were temporarily incapacitated by the cold is a matter for congratulation. In most cases the wheels got ignited because of the freezing of the lubricating oil. The large number of the goods cars thrown out of service was due to the unbroken run of the inclement weather. The Railway Company means to profit by the recent experience and reports are being invited by the authorities concerned to be employed as the basis of study to prevent a like occurrence in the future.

It is noted with interest that no cases of damage have been reported among any of the passenger cars. The reason being that the wheels of the passenger cars, of course, subject to the same wear and tear as those of goods cars, but during the time of the stops of the passenger trains each wheel is carefully overhauled and promptly attended to, if any repairing is required, by a gang of workmen engaged specially for this duty.

GOODS CARS ARE TOO NUMEROUS FOR SPECIAL INSPECTION.

The thermometer readings on the 13th inst are given as follows:—

Port Arthur.....-24° C. -15° F.
Dairen.....-26° " -15° "
Yingkou.....-10° " -18° "
Mukden.....-15° " -7° "
Changchun.....-20° " -4° "
Cheloo.....-2° " -28° "
Setton (Tsingtao).....-4° " -23° "
At Setton (Tsingtao) the cold was reported to be the greatest experienced for 18 years. A report says:—On the evening of the 7th inst. the mercury stood at 15.4° below zero. The buntings of the water service pipes, the freezing of eggs, bottled spirits, etc., were daily occurrences. Kinohou Bay, to which ice had hitherto been a stranger, was turned to an expanse of ice, increasing the difficulty of navigation to the incoming and outgoing vessels, and practically blocking the movement of steam launches. The vessels which were in the Main Harbour were deprived of the freedom of movement. Those intending to enter the Harbour had to cast anchor outside the month.

Early on the morning of the 9th inst. the s.s. *Saiko Maru* arrived from Japan and forced her way through the ice packs, clearing the way as she advanced. She gained the Main Harbour from the Seton Wharf by working hard for about 24 hours. The ice removed out of her way would quickly close together again in her wake, and the *Dairen Kisen Kaisha's s.s. Tencho Maru* (1,700 tons) which tried to follow in the other's track for some distance despaired of doing so farther, and quickly beat a retreat to outside the Harbour.

There were more than fifty junking lying at anchor outside the Harbour by reason of their inability to effect entry.

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

RESULTS OF THE BLOCKADE.

LONDON, Jan. 31. Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, in a speech at Nottingham, said the blockade of Germany was very nearly complete. He believed that the enemies' overseas exports had been absolutely destroyed and their overseas imports practically destroyed. It was most difficult to ascertain of what was happening in the Central Powers, but for many weeks the stream of evidence from many sources had been in one direction, namely, food riots, food queues, shortage of copper and absence of rubber. It seemed especially beyond question that the Germans have but little wool, and less cotton, and are making clothes and boots from paper. The Minister concluded with a warning that the blockade alone would not bring victory, which must be attained in the field.

"KAISER'S BIRTHDAY SHOW."

RESULTS ON BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Jan. 31. Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters in forwarding particulars of the "Kaiser's Birthday Show" on January 27th says it was most successful. In the recent operations 358 prisoners have been taken, 500 casualties were inflicted, and a commanding strong position occupied bringing us nearer the reduction of Le Transloy.

NIBBLING AT THE ENEMY.

LONDON, Jan. 31. A French communiqué states: We effectively bombarded enemy works in the region of Eixbaucourt, in Woevre. A detachment penetrated the first and second lines of the German trenches south of Leintrey, in Lorraine, outflanked the defenders, and brought back prisoners.

We carried out a successful coup de main against an enemy post in the region of Moncal, where, and also in the Vosges, there were numerous patrol encounters.

An enemy aeroplane was brought down.

BRITISH REPULSE ATTACKS.

LONDON, Jan. 31. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We repulsed attacks in the neighbourhoods of Beaucourt and westward of Serre.

A Belgian communiqué states: Our artillery, infantry and machine-gun fire drove back German detachments approaching posts eastward of Pervyse and southward of Snoerdshoote after violent bombardments.

ARTILLERY ACTIONS. A French communiqué states: Somewhat violent artillery actions have taken place at different points, especially in the sector east of Reims and on the right of the Meuse.

THE NEW BRITISH MINFIELD. DETAILS COMMUNICATED TO NEUTRALS.

LONDON, Jan. 31. Though nothing has been announced in London, the State Department at Washington publishes details of the new British minifield as communicated to neutrals:

Its greatest extent south-west to north-east is about 23 miles, its length north and south being 170 miles. It blocks the approach to the North Sea coast of Germany except through Neutral territorial waters and extends south-west from a point four miles west of the west coast of Jutland, south-west of Kengkoeborg across the North Sea, north of Horn's Reef, thence southward, including Dogger Bank to a point off the coast of Yorkshire, south of Flamborough, then south-east to the neighbourhood of the Dutch Frisian island, approaching to within seven miles of Texel.

AMERICAN IMMIGRATION BILL VETOED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31. President Wilson has vetoed the Immigration Bill owing to its inclusion of the literacy test.

THE LATE LORD CROMER.

TRIBUTES TO HIS WORK.

LONDON, Jan. 31. The newspapers publish long memoirs of Lord Cromer and pay high tributes to his work in Egypt and India. The Times describes him as not only one of the ablest and most successful masters of constructive statesmanship, who built up the Empire, but as one of the greatest Englishmen. His high sense of public and private duty, his transparent honesty, straight-forwardness, steadfast courage, indomitable perseverance, and absolute sanity in his judgment were his most conspicuous characteristics. The Times believes the judgment of history on Lord Cromer's work in Egypt will place him even higher than he stands to-day. The world has seldom, if ever, witnessed a greater transformation than he wrought in Egypt in less than a quarter of a century. It emphasises that Lord Cromer never had a free hand and it was only by slow degrees, after events had constantly justified his wisdom, that he acquired the commanding authority which he retained to the end of his public career. His epitaph might well be: "He never wavered in well-doing."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE STORY OF THE "LAURENTIC."

SUNK BY A MINE.

LONDON, Jan. 31. The auxiliary cruiser *Laurentic* was mined one and a half hours after sailing on Thursday. She sank in three-quarters of an hour. The weather was fine but cold. The crew totalled 475, of whom about 125 were saved. Many were killed by the explosion.

It is understood that an attempt was made to beach the vessel. The boats were got ready and rockets fired, as the wireless was destroyed. The explosion of the rockets was seen by a lighthouse, and soon mine sweepers were hurrying to the scene. The crew were most orderly throughout. The ship foundered in 25 fathoms. The lifeboats, manned by all survivors of the explosion were provided with fares, but the mine-sweepers had twenty miles to cover, and many of the flares had burned out before they arrived, and the search was most difficult. The men were seven hours in the perishing cold in one boat before being rescued.

The first intimation of the disaster was a telephone message to a certain Mayor from the Captain informing him that ninety survivors were in camp and appealing for warm clothing. The Mayor summoned the Corporation, requisitioned motors, collected clothing and other necessities, and hastened to the camp.

Describing his experiences afterwards the Mayor said he was amazed at the unconquerable spirit of the Navy, as illustrated by a lad of seventeen going to a piano in the recreation room and playing, "Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag, and smile," his comrades joining in the chorus. They were not depressed by the terrible ordeal. The arrival of the laden motors was cheered, and the men paraded. They and the Councilors sang the National Anthem. The soldiers in the camp refused cigarettes, saying, "This is Jack's Day." Subsequently other survivors arrived, having landed at remote points. Numerous bodies have been recovered.

HEAVY CASUALTIES.

Another message says:—The *Laurentic* was mined on Friday morning off the north coast of Ireland. She was manned by a crew of 476, of naval ratings. There were no passengers. About 260 perished.

The explosion was terrific, a huge hole being made in the side of the vessel. Many stokers were killed outright. The injured were placed in the boats as the ship was sinking. The vessel went down in a time variously estimated at from five minutes to three-quarters of an hour. The sea was dotted with men struggling for life. Many were taken in already crowded boats which were half swamped by the seas. The men were half clad, it was bitterly cold, and it was hours before they were rescued by smacks.

Already 100 frozen bodies have been washed up.

The Admiralty announces that the *Laurentic* was mined, not submerged.

CONSTANT ACTIVITY ON WESTERN FRONT.

FRENCH FRONT.

PARIS, Jan. 31. A communiqué says:—Between Soissons and Rheims our fire stopped dead two attempted *cours de main*. There has been rather lively artillerying in Lorraine and the Vosges.

Our aeroplanes, during the night of the 29th and 30th, bombed bivouacs, military factories and stations.

BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Jan. 30. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, in a communiqué, says:—We bombed dugouts in the neighbourhood of Butte-de-Warlenecourt and entered enemy lines east of Souchez, greatly damaging the works.

In the course of air-fights three German machines were destroyed and three driven down, damaged.

THE GREEK SALUTE TO THE ALLIED FLAGS.

FURTHER DETAILS.

ATHENS, Jan. 31. At the saluting of the Allied flags the infantry carried fixed bayonets and the mounted troops carried drawn swords. The Greek regimental colours were placed in the centre, and directly the Allied Ministers and Naval officers and detachments had taken up their places, the General commanding the parade saluted, the soldiers presented arms, the Greek flags were lowered and bugles sounded the general salute. Massed military bands also played successively four Allied national anthems, and simultaneously a Greek battery fired a twenty-one gun salute, which Allied warships lying in the roads returned. Then the troops marched by in column, saluting the Allied flags, and the Allied Ministers then returned to a warship.

Some of the regiments of the garrison are at present at full strength. The remainder are represented by detachments.

ELECTORAL REFORM IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

LONDON, Jan. 31. The Report of the Speakers Conference on Electoral Reform presents resolutions favouring manhood suffrage for those who pay £10 annually as occupiers, a qualifying period of six months, the revision of the register every six months, maintenance of representation of universities, preservation of qualification where it is only limited to change of residence, single vote with one additional for business premises or university in a different constituency, the adoption of a population unit of 70,000 per member, but separate representation for constituencies of over 50,000.

The report recommends group representation of universities, except Oxford and Cambridge; proportional representation for sub-divided constituencies entitled to return between three and five members; and polling on the same day.

The majority of the conference favoured limited female suffrage, and suggested placing women on the Local Government register. The proposed age for eligible women is 30 to 35.

NO ATTEMPT ON KING ALFONSO'S LIFE.

MADRID, Jan. 31. The two bars of lead which were found on the railway at Granada were connected with a robbery. There is no question of their being concerned in an attempt on King Alfonso's life.

CO-OPERATION OF UNIVERSITIES.

LONDON, Jan. 31. Professor Fisher, President of the Board of Education, in a speech at London pleading for greater co-operation among the universities, mentioned that Oxford was devising courses of advanced study, open to Overseas, American and Allied students. The Board of Education would be glad to co-operate if the Universities combined in a common scheme on the above lines; also in a scheme for the inter-change of teachers of the universities of Britain, the Dominions and India.

CERTIFIED OCCUPATIONS.

LONDON, Jan. 31. The list of certified occupations under the Military Service Act has been revised by the general raising of the age, and a further raising is forecast.

CONFIDENCE IN VICTORY.

LONDON, Jan. 31. Mr. Arthur Henderson, speaking at Norwich, repudiated the view that the war would end in a draw. Such an assumption was unwarrantable, and those who were acquainted with the military situation were never so confident as now.

ROYAL SYMPATHY.

LONDON, Jan. 31. The King has telegraphed Mr. Walter Long stating that he is deeply grieved at the death of his son, who was a young and promising general.

BRITAIN'S FOOD SUPPLY.

AN "UNAUTHORISED AND INCORRECT" STATEMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 31. The Food Controller states that Mr. Anderson's statement to the effect that Britain would shortly be placed on a ration allowance was unauthorised and incorrect.

THE EXPLOSION AT FUSHUN COLLIERY.

NEARLY A THOUSAND LIVES LOST.

Nearly a thousand lives were lost in the explosion which took place at the Fushun Colliery, Manchuria, a fortnight ago, and the monetary loss is put at 360,000 yen.

The explosion is attributed to spontaneous combustion. It occurred in what is known as the Oyama shaft which was capable of yielding 40,000 tons of coal a month. The shaft is at present hermetically sealed, and it is not expected that the full producing capacity of the shaft will be recovered in less than twelve months. In the meantime seven other shafts and pits will be required to put out an additional 6,000 tons a month each.

Of the 935 people missing 17 were Japanese, the rest being Chinese.

On the afternoon of the 12th inst., when the Oyama Shaft of Fushun Colliery was being hermetically sealed, the heat inside the shaft was measured at 209° F. Four days later, that is, on the afternoon of the 16th, the temperature was noticed to come down by about 70° to 141°. From this it was inferred that the flames inside the shaft were rapidly subsiding. The temperature inside the shaft was being measured every two hours, and a gradual fall was observed. The moment the temperature comes down to about 80° F. relief parties are to be sent down by the sand-flushing pit and also by the eastern shaft of the Chienchichai Pit, which connects with the lower parts of Oyama Shaft. These men are to under take the recovery of the remains of the victims first of all, and to narrow down the scope of the inextinguishable zone as fast as possible. At first some two months' time was expected to be wanted before the shaft would be re-opened, but, judging by the quick cooling of the temperature inside, the date for re-opening is expected to arrive much sooner.

Such a statement made by Mr. Tajima, in charge of the Mining Affairs of the Fushun Collieries. Another statement says:—Before the fate of each missing person is ascertained, he cannot be considered as dead, and on this account the funeral service will have to be postponed, and he is entitled to pay. According to an official of the Collieries, a Chinese coolie hired temporarily will have his wages for 365 days paid to his relatives when he dies at his post, whilst a mining coolie on the regular staff is entitled to wages for 365 days. The sum of ¥60,000, which the Collieries Management intends to lay out as the Relief Fund, is to be added to these stipulated allowances, which will amount on an average to over ¥600 each. In distributing the additional allowance of ¥60,000 the Management will be guided by the size of the family left behind. Over and above this the Collieries officials directly concerned have started a subscription movement in order to raise contributions for the bereaved. There have been besides many communications received from Japan, etc., offering sums of money. After all is done, the portion for each victim is supposed to be about ¥1,000, which will be enough to keep the wife from the door of any of the bereaved families. This is considered as more liberal than in the case of home mines. Still, the Management feels that no sum of money can compensate for the precious lives lost.

SHIPBUILDING FIRMS "MERGE."

The Press Association is authorized to state that the old-established firm of Caird and Co. (Limited) is in future to be closely associated with Harland and Wolff (Limited), of Belfast, and Gorton. There will be no real change in the management of the Glasgow undertaking, the present directors Mr. P. T. Caird and Mr. Arthur Caird still remaining directors of the company. Mr. J. W. Kempton, one of the managing directors of the Belfast company will join the board of Caird and Co. (Limited). The fact that certain well-known shipbuilding enterprises have in practically all their most important vessels built by one or other of the two firms concerned makes the reason for their closer association apparent.

WHAT-GROWING IN FRANCE.

PARIS, Jan. 31. It is officially estimated that 10,600,000 acres of wheat have been sown as compared with 12,580,000 acres last year.

APPALLING DESTITUTION IN SERBIA.

COLOGNE, Jan. 31. The economic situation in Serbia is appalling. The enemy has requisitioned everything, and the Serbians are abjectly destitute.

SURGERY AT KUT.

A DOCTOR'S EXPERIENCE IN THE SIEGE.

Major C. H. Barber, I.M.S., writing in the *Indian Medical Gazette* on "Surgery at the siege of Kut, (December 5th, 1915, to April 30th, 1916)," says:—

It falls to the lot of few men to be besieged for any length of time, and to fewer surgeons, and some of us have the opportunity of watching a good many cases of wounds in war from their commencement to their conclusion, and of noting the effect on them of various and most adverse circumstances. In this review the following approximately accurate figures will be interesting, but probably not more reliable for purposes of drawing inferences than are any other statistics. For although at first sight the fact that no evacuation of sick and wounded had, performance, been made from Kut since December the 3rd, 1915, and that therefore the fate of the wounded could be accurately followed for a very considerable time might be expected to guarantee a real value to such figures as those under the headings "Deaths," "Duty," or "Invalided," yet there are so many other factors to be taken into consideration which have influenced these figures that their value is very considerably modified or detracted from. These factors are the various conditions peculiar to a state of siege which have had their separate and several effects on the wounded.

Amongst those exerting a favourable effect have been

(1) the very short distance between the firing line and other places of accident, such as a Stationary Hospital; and consequently

(2) the short time between the infliction of the injury and proper surgical treatment.

There is no doubt that both of these factors have tended very materially to reduce the mortality and the permanent invaliding amongst the severely wounded, such as those sustaining compound fractures, wounds of the chest and of the abdomen, both by reason of the prevention of sepsis by prompt surgical aid, and of the reduction to a minimum of the additional injury to the wounded that such movement necessarily entails. Similarly the general condition of the wounded had not, as a rule, suffered from undue exposure, whilst the first field dressing had very often been applied by the medical officer on the spot himself.

The unfavourable conditions have been many and probable, largely more than counter-balance the favourable ones. They are:

(a) The unhygienic surroundings in the badly arranged, badly lighted, and insufficiently aired, improvised hospital buildings. When it is remarked that the best of these consisted of the hovels or cubicles of a third-rate Mesopotamian bazaar, those who have seen such will understand.

(b) Insufficient hospital personnel—equipment and stores—all hospitals being obliged to treat many times the number of patients for which they were originally staffed and designed.

(c) Slow starvation and absence of a sufficiency of both preserved and fresh hospital comforts.

(d) The prevalence for part of the time of diseases due to improper and insufficient food, namely, scurvy and beri-beri.

(e) The impaired mental outlook on life of the besieged, and the adverse effect on the morale of the patients by the constant shelling and bombing, to which, unintentionally, as I believe, the hospitals and their neighbourhood were subjected; to which may be added the mental strain of prolonged suspense and of the expectation, often disappointed, of relief.

As the siege dragged on and the food ration grew smaller and smaller, when all hospital comforts had been cut off, the treatment of the sick and of the wounded became a heartbreaking ordeal and a depressing duty, for one frequently could not carry out much needed surgical interference, solely owing to these pitiable conditions.

From December 5th, 1915, to April 29th, 1916, there were about 3,400 wounded brought into the hospitals, 400 odd of these belonging to the civilian population, 337 killed.

Of those that arrived in hospital—488 died of wounds; 1,630 returned to duty; 250 remained for invaliding.

This shows a high percentage of returned to duty, but of these good many are now in poor health and crippled in one way or another, although able to walk about and live in their lines.

As regards parts of the body affected, there were a large number of head cases, inevitable in trench warfare and also an extraordinary number of abdominal wounds, many of which were inflicted by "Snipers."

Of tetanus, thirty cases occurred, of whom four only recovered despite the fact that the incubation period in all but four cases was six days or more.

Out of the thirty four nine were shell wounds and four bomb wounds; only one of these recovered—a shell case.

In the early days of the siege when most of the cases occurred, there was unfortunately very little anti-tetanic serum available, and only seven or eight cases were so treated, and of these three recovered; the fourth recovery occurred in a case that had been treated by local subcutaneous injections of hydrogen peroxide. Later on, a stock of serum was received by aerial post and was used in many cases, propylactically. Several cases were treated by cathartic acid injections, but without success.

The most serious complication in the second half of the siege was the bad effect on the healing of wounds, of the steadily diminishing ration, the lack of invalid food, the outbreak of scurvy among the Indian troops, and the existence of a certain amount of beri-beri.

MUSKETRY COURSE, PART II.

The following Prizes have so far been offered in connection with Part II.

(1) Inter-Platoon Shoot.—Gold Medal offered by Mr. A. P. Arellio to the eight men of any Platoon whose total scores rank highest. Inspectors and Sergeants' scores may be included. The mounted Police and Maxim Gunners to compete as one Platoon. Mr. Arellio offers an additional prize for the highest score made by any member of any Platoon.

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INSPECTION.

His Excellency the Governor will inspect all ranks on Saturday afternoon, February 10th. Detailed Orders will be issued. No absence will be permitted except on the certificate of the Surgeon Superintendent.

POLICE SCHOOL.

No Police School will sit during the week commencing on Monday, Feb. 5th.

COMPANY PARADES.

The following Parades will take place at Central Station at 5.30 p.m. Uniform, Helmets with Spikes, and Rifles:—

Tuesday, Feb. 6th.—Nos. 3 and 4 Companies, and Ambulance Platoon.

Wednesday, Feb. 7th.—No. 1 Company and Maxim Gunners.

Thursday, Feb. 8th.—No. 2 Company and Band.

No exemption is to be granted from these parades except by the undersigned.

MUSKETRY COURSE, PART I.

All ranks who should have attended, but failed to attend, to fire Part I. of this year's course on either Sunday, January 14th, 21st or 28th are warned to attend the Range on Sunday next, February 4th, leaving Blaine Pier at 9 a.m. Return about 12 noon.

Men armed with (1) Service Rifles or (2) New Winchester Carbines will take same to the Range. All others will have Rifles issued to them on the Range.

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(IV) The D.S.P.'s Cup.—To be won by the best shot amongst the Company Inspectors, Crown Sergeants and Sergeants.

The firing of Part II is provisionally fixed to start on Sunday, February 18th.

RANGE PRACTICE.

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Def. Indos	20	buyers
Star Ferris	122	nominal
Rams	24	buyers
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Hongkongs	48	buyers
Waterboats	102	buyers
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Damaged cargo will be stored on 21st January at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected, and storage charges will be assessed on all cargo undelivered on 2nd February at Noon.

No Claim will be recognized after the goods have left the Godown.

All Claims must be filed on or before 16th February, otherwise they will not be recognized.

T. DAIGO, Agent, Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1917. 1459

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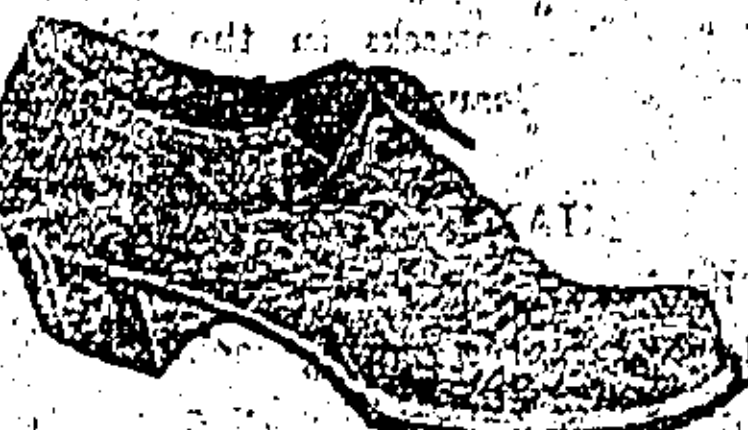
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Do 1 P.M. 63
Do 4 P.M. 63
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\$23,970,367.

Authorized Capital \$2,000,000

Subscribed Capital \$4,500,000

Paid-up Capital \$2,437,500

Fire Fund \$3,871,047

Life & Annuity Funds \$1,767,530

Sinking Fund Account \$28,230

\$23,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch \$2,381,456

Life and Annuity \$2,141,593

Branches \$37,239

Revenue Marine Department \$78,940

Other Receipts \$2,330,228

\$23,970,367

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Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet
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Silver (per oz.) \$37 5/16

Bar Silver in Hongkong \$18 3/4 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cash \$1 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cent \$1 1/2 p.m.

Rate of Native Interest \$4 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Sub. Com. \$4 1/2 p.m.

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Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) \$200

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With 2 Bearers with 4 Browsers.

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One hour \$0.40

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Three hours \$1.00

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Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) \$2.00

IV.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Bearers with 4 Browsers.

Quarter hour \$0.15

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One hour \$0.40

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Three hours \$1.00

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Half hour \$15

One hour \$20

Every subsequent hour \$20

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within the City of Victoria, and be dis-
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City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be dis-
charged to the East of Bay View Police
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fare shall be chargeable.

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Twenty cents shall be added
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single \$75 cents—1 hour.

return \$100—2 hours.

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return \$150—4 "

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Bay View House—08 "

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Two hours \$50

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Three hours \$60

Four hours \$75

Six hours \$100

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If a vehicle is discharged beyond the
limits of the City of Victoria half fare.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 1st at 12.12.—No returns from
Japanese stations. Pressure has de-
creased slightly over N.E. and S.W.
China, and increased slightly over
Formosa. It is nearly stationary else-
where.

The anticyclone is probably central
between Shanghai and Weihaiwei.
Fresh to moderate monsoon indicated
over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total
since January 1st, 0.34 inches, against an
average of 1.31 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on the 1st February—
1.—Hongkong, to Gap Rock: N.E.
winds, strong to moderate; fine.
2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds,
strong.

3.—South coast of China: Between
Hongkong and Lamcocks: The same as
No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Hainan: E. winds,
moderate.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN FEBRUARY.

The following table shows the Stand-
ard Time at which Official Night ends
and begins during the month of Feb.,
1917—

Date.	Ends.	Begins.
Feb. 1st.	5.30 a.m.	6.34 p.m.
" 2nd.	5.30	6.34
" 3rd.	5.29	6.35
" 4th.	5.29	6.35
" 5th.	5.29	6.35
" 6th.	5.28	6.36
" 7th.	5.28	6.36
" 8th.	5.28	6.37
" 9th.	5.27	6.37
" 10th.	5.27	6.38
" 11th.	5.27	6.38
" 12th.	5.26	6.39
" 13th.	5.26	6.39
" 14th.	5.26	6.40
" 15th.	5.25	6.41
" 16th.	5.25	6.41
" 17th.	5.25	6.42
" 18th.	5.24	6.43
" 19th.	5.24	6.43
" 20th.	5.24	6.44
" 21st.	5.23	6.45
" 22nd.	5.23	6.45
" 23rd.	5.23	6.46
" 24th.	5.22	6.47
" 25th.	5.22	6.47
" 26th.	5.22	6.48
" 27th.	5.21	6.49
" 28th.	5.21	6.49

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FEBRUARY 1, 1917.—a.m.